

# PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

## PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

### RUTHERFORD COUNTY DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PRIMARY FEBRUARY 5, 2008

Notice is hereby given that a Presidential Preference Primary and a Rutherford County Democratic and Republican Primary will be held in all polling places in Rutherford County, Tennessee on Tuesday, February 5, 2008, for the purposes of electing party nominees to the following offices:

**President of the United States**  
**Republican Delegates to the Republican National Convention**  
**Rutherford County Assessor of Property (4-year term)**  
**Rutherford County Highway Superintendent (4-year term)**  
**Circuit Court Judge II, 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District (fill unexpired term, 6 year)**

**Election Day polling hours** are 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at all polling locations.

**Qualifying Deadline for Republican Delegates** to the Republican National Convention is December 13, 2007 at 12:00 NOON. All candidates for this office should file nominating petitions at the Office of the Coordinator of Elections, 312 Eighth Avenue North, Ninth Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tower, Nashville, Tennessee. (615) 741-7956.

**Qualifying Deadline** for candidates interested in running in the Democratic and Republican Primaries for Assessor of Property, Highway Superintendent and Circuit Court Judge II is Thursday, December 13, 2007, at 12:00 NOON. Candidates running for multi-county offices must file a petition in the county of residence and provide a certified copy of the petition to the other counties by the qualifying deadline. Petitions may be picked up at the Rutherford County Election Office.

**Independent Candidates** interested in running for local offices must also qualify by Thursday, December 13, 2007, at 12:00 NOON.

**Withdrawal Deadline** for candidates to withdraw is Thursday, December 20, 2007 at 12:00 NOON. Candidates wishing to withdraw must provide a written request to withdraw signed by the candidate.

**The Last day to register** to vote in person for this election is January 7, 2008. Individuals may register at the Department of Motor Vehicle, Department of Human Services, the Health Department and the Rutherford County Election Office. By mail registration forms may be picked up at the Register of Deeds, County Court Clerk, Public Libraries, Military Recruiting Offices and the Tennessee Department of Veteran Affairs. By mail registration forms must be postmarked by January 7, 2008.

**Deadline to change address:** Voters who have moved within Rutherford County may change their address at the early voting site or contact the Rutherford County Election office by January 31, 2008.

**Electronic voting machine write-in feature:** Any person seeking party nomination by write-in ballots must complete a notice requesting such person's ballots be counted no later than fifty (50) days before the date of the election. Such person shall only have write-in ballots counted if such notice was completed and timely filed with the Rutherford County Election Commission Office, 1 Public Sq. S. Rm. 103, Murfreesboro, Tn. 37130.

**Absentee ballots:** Persons unable to vote early, go to the polls or the Election Office on election day because of sickness, hospitalization, or physical disability, may send a written request for an absentee ballot, along with a physician statement indicating that such person is unable to vote at the polls or the election office, to the Rutherford County Election Office to be placed on the permanent absentee ballot register.

Students, spouses of students or persons temporarily residing outside of Rutherford County, may send a written request for an absentee ballot by January 29, 2008 with the following information:

- Name of registered voter
- Voter's residence address
- Voter's social security number
- Address to mail ballot (outside Rutherford County)
- Election voter wishes to participate in (including party preference)

- Reason for voting absentee
- Signature of voter

**Military personnel and spouses** may send a written request for an absentee ballot not more than ninety days (90) or later than 7 days before the election.

Absentee ballots delivered to the Election office by U.S. Mail or other recognized mail carrier's before the closing of the polls on Election Day will be processed.

The Rutherford County Election Office is located at 1 Public Square S. Rm. 103, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Office hours are 8-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Holidays. **The office will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2008, in celebration of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.** Office telephone number is (615) 898-7743. For the hearing impaired, the telephone number is TDD 898-7737.

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